

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2187

January 10, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) to apply certain standards in determining whether rates charged by a covered public utility are just and reasonable. Prohibits the Authority from approving rates that include certain attorneys' fees, recovery of a return on equity in excess of the average return on equity of a parent company, payment for services provided by an employee in excess of the average hourly rate, or expenses associated with any capital expense that do not meet specific criteria. Designates documents of privately-owned public utilities that supply water to municipal governments as public records.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- According to the TRA, changing the standards and opening documents to public record will not have a fiscal impact on the Authority.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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